

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as indicated hereafter.

1. (Currently Amended) A computer system, comprising:
a display device having a screen for displaying images; and
a security application defining a list of security rules for locking down resources of said computer system, said security application configured to categorize said rules into a plurality of categories and to display at least one of said categories on said screen, said security application configured to determine which of said rules are associated with said one category in response to a selection of said one category by a user of said computer system, said security application configured to display on said screen each of said rules associated with said one category in response to said selection, said security application further configured to allow said user to enable ones of said rules and to cause said computer system to enforce said enabled ones of said rules by modifying a machine state of said computer system, wherein different ones of said categories respectively pertain to different ones of a plurality of applications and wherein said rules are categorized such that said one category is assigned only to ones of said rules that affect a particular application pertaining to said one category.

2. (Original) The computer system of claim 1, wherein said computer system further comprises memory storing various computer applications, and wherein said security application is further configured to determine which computer applications are stored in said memory and to display said categories based on a determination by said security application as to which computer applications are stored in said memory.

3. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein said one category is displayed on said screen by said security application in response to a selection of another category by said user.

4. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein said one category is a sub-category of another of said categories.

5. (Currently Amended) A system for locking down resources of computer systems, comprising:

means for defining a list of security rules for locking down resources of a computer system;

means for categorizing said rules into a plurality of categories;

means for displaying at least one of said categories;

means for determining, in response to a selection of said one category, which of said rules is associated with said one category;

means for displaying each of said rules determined ~~by said determining means~~ to be associated with said one category;

means for enabling ones of said rules based on user inputs; and

means for enforcing each of said enabled rules,

wherein different ones of said categories respectively pertain to different ones of a plurality of applications and wherein said categorizing means is configured to assign said one category only to ones of said rules that affect a particular application pertaining to said one category.

6. (Original) The system of claim 5, further comprising:
means for storing various computer applications;
means for identifying which computer applications are stored in said storing means; and
means for displaying said categories based on which computer applications are identified
by said identifying means.

7. (Original) The system of claim 5, further comprising:
means for selecting another of said categories; and
means for displaying said one category in response to a selection by said selecting means.

8. (Original) The system of claim 5, wherein said one category is a sub-category of
another of said categories.

9. (Currently Amended) A method for locking down resources of computer systems, comprising ~~the steps of~~:

defining a list of security rules for locking down resources of a computer system;

categorizing said rules into a plurality of categories, wherein different ones of the plurality of categories pertain to different ones of a plurality of applications;

displaying at least one of said categories;

determining, in response to a selection of said one category, which of said rules is associated with said one category;

displaying each of said rules determined ~~in said determining step~~ to be associated with said one category;

enabling ones of said rules ~~displayed via said displaying each of said rules step~~; and

enforcing each of said enabled rules based on said enabling, ~~step~~.

wherein said categorizing comprises assigning said one category only to ones of said rules that affect a particular application pertaining to said one category.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 9, wherein said computer system has memory and said method further comprises ~~the steps of~~:

storing various computer applications in said memory;

determining which computer applications are stored in said memory; and

displaying said categories based on said determining which computer applications are stored in said memory ~~step~~.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 9, further comprising ~~the steps of~~:

selecting another of said categories; and

displaying said one category in response to said selecting ~~step~~.

12. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein said one category is a sub-category of another of said categories.

13. (New) The system of claim 1, wherein each of said rules is assigned to a respective one of said categories based on whether said each rule controls access to an application pertaining to said respective one category.

14. (New) The system of claim 1, wherein each of said categories is assigned only to ones of said security rules that affect a respective one of said applications pertaining to said each category.

15. (New) The system of claim 1, wherein said security application, in response to a selection of one of said rules, is configured to display help information pertaining to said one rule.

16. (New) The method of claim 9, wherein said categorizing comprises assigning each of said rules to a respective one of said categories in response to a determination that said each rule controls access to an application pertaining to said respective one category.

17. (New) The method of claim 9, wherein each of said categories pertains to only a respective one of said applications.

18. (New) The method of claim 9, further comprising:

selecting one of said rules; and

displaying help information pertaining to said one rule in response to said selecting.

19. (New) The method of claim 9, further comprising making said selection in response to a determination that said one category pertains to said particular application.